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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MAY 31, 2006

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action (Election/Restrictions Requirement), mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on May 31, 2006.

Applicants' representative hereby authorizes the Examiner to charge \$120.00 to the undersigned representative's deposit account no. 502647. No additional fees are believed to be due. If the authorized amount is determined to be insufficient, the balance may be charged to the same account of the undersigned.

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group X (Claim 77). In order to facilitate prosecution Applicants hereby cancel all previously pending claims (including claim 77), and re-introduce claim 77 and dependent claims as new claims 86-91.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: